

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 were pending. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant has canceled non-elected claims 1-10 and 13-15 without prejudice to Applicant's right to file divisional applications on the non-elected groups. Applicant has also amended claim 12 to correct its dependency and has added new claims 16-25. Accordingly, claims 11, 12, and 16-25 will be pending upon entry of this Amendment.

A favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or determine that any further action is desirable to place this application in even better condition for issue, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

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